

# MORLEY HOUSE NEWSLETTER

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## Reminder

### Olivia! Box Office.

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March

If you have not yet booked your tickets for the play next week, please do so as soon as possible. We are now SOLD OUT on Wednesday but there are a few seats left for Thursday.

There are seats available for the Dress Rehearsal on Tuesday afternoon at 2.00pm and if this is an option please return the reply slip, suitably amended, to Mrs. Jago.

## **Olivia**

In anticipation of the Olivia play next week I would like to say a big thank you to everyone who has bought tickets for the show and also to all the parents who have provided such fantastic costumes and props for the production - your support has been greatly appreciated by all the members of staff.

Mr Crossland

## **Football**

Morley House has enjoyed its most successful football season ever. From Years 3 to Year 6 a total of 20 matches were played including debuts at the ISA South East Championships and the Ardingly Tournament. The Year 5 and 6 team won over 70% of their games. All the players can be extremely pleased with their skill level and efforts as well as the manner in which they conducted themselves win, lose or draw. The Golden Boot this year goes to Freddie Regan with a total of 9 goals in all matches making him the leading scorer.

## Book Sale

Thank you to everyone who brought books for the Book Sale this week. This is the first time we have tried this event and it seems to have been very successful. Most titles were sold on Tuesday and so we know that for future sales we can concentrate our efforts into a single day. Any remaining books will be sold on the Book Stall at the PTA Summer Fair on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June.

Our grateful thanks go to all the parents who helped with the sale, especially Mrs Newton who was instrumental in suggesting the idea and the planning of the event.

We raised a total of £86.90 which will be sent to 'The Kiss It Better Campaign' which is a children's cancer research charity at Great Ormond Street Hospital.

Mrs Jago

## **Please Note**

**After School Clubs will NOT be held during the last week of term.**

## **AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS CLUBS**

These will resume on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April and will be as follows;

Monday - Dance club (current members do not need to sign up again)

Tuesday - Cricket Club- Maximum of 15. Please give your name to Mrs Cowling if interested.

Thursday - Athletics and Fitness club-Maximum of 20. Names to Mrs Cowling

## IFORD AND KINGSTON FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

The final football game of the season for Morley House took place on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March. It was a tournament consisting of 10 schools from the local area. The Year 4 boys demonstrated a high level of commitment and enthusiasm and it was apparent that their skill level and general team play has improved considerably over the past few weeks.

The team of Farrall Ryder, Todd Walker, Richard Davis, James Rye, Ashvin Elavarathan, Isaac McCloskey and Freddie Squire-Sanders can be proud of their efforts.

They won the first game and although losing narrowly in the subsequent games they learnt a great deal which augurs well for the future.



## NETBALL

The Year 5 and 6 Netball team have one remaining match to play after Easter but it is appropriate to mention the phenomenal success that they have enjoyed this season. With one match to go they remain unbeaten with the highlight been their victory in The Newlands Tournament. All the girls deserve great credit for their teamwork, skill level and determination. In several matches they have fought back after conceding early goals to produce exciting comebacks and achieve victory.

The girls from Year 3 and 4 made their debut at The Ardingly Netball Festival and gained a great deal of experience for the future. Well done!

## SUMMER TERM

A number of fixtures have already been arranged. These include Athletics, Rounders, Stoolball, Cricket and Swimming. Details will follow in future newsletters.

## Parental Support

The continued support of parents at all our fixtures (come rain or shine!) is much appreciated and the positive impact that this has upon the pupils is very significant

**Please remember that school closes on Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> March 2009 at 3.30pm and re-opens on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2009.**

### Theatre Trip Why the Whales Came

Last week Years 3-6 went to The Hawth Theatre, Crawley to see an adaptation of Michael Morpurgo's novel *Why the Whales Came*. The play was produced by the Birmingham Theatre Company, who we have seen before. It was a very interesting play, especially for Year 6 who had recently read the book. In subsequent lessons they have made interesting observations about the difficulty of adapting a book for the stage. Characters are different from how they are envisaged and some details have to be lost because of the restrictions of stage, scenery, props, cast and time. We have had lively discussions about whether it is better to read the book or see the play first! The performance was enjoyed by all the children and the Hawth Theatre proved to be a very convenient venue. We will be looking out for more productions in the future.

